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## GOOD ROADS FOR THE UPPER DISTRICT IN SPOTSYLVANIA.

We are glad to learn that residents of Berkeley and Livingston Districts, in Spotsylvania county, are making arrangements for petitioning the court for a bond election for good roads. Courtland and Chancellery Districts carved the way for road building in Spotsylvania by deciding some time since to issue bonds for the purpose and a good deal of the actual construction has already been done. Though the sentiment in the other districts, especially Berkeley, was decidedly against a bond issue at the time of the first election, this newspaper predicted that should the bond issue carry and good roads be built in Courtland and Chancellery it would not be long before the other two districts would be petitioning the court for an election. Our prediction has come true even quicker than we expected, and we now make the further prediction that if an election is ordered in these two remaining districts they will both vote for a reasonable bond issue for permanent road construction. We presume that the supervisors of the county if request be made of them by a reasonable number of citizens will ask the court to order the election, but should they fail to do so then the citizens themselves can force an election if fifty of them, who are freeholders, will sign a petition asking for an election and present it to the judge of the Circuit Court. We hope very much that the bond will ask the court to order this election, since we are convinced that the people of Berkeley and Livingston Districts are as progressive as their neighbors, and that they do not wish to be left behind the present good roads movement, which has spread itself all over Virginia.

In speaking of the road question why doesn't Stafford make some move looking to a bond issue for road building. We hear a lot about the county being too poor to issue bonds, but this isn't true. The only way she will ever become prosperous is to issue bonds and build good roads. It would be a splendid thing for her, since the increase in land values sure to follow would more than take care of the interest and sinking fund of the bonds.

## FIRST REVISION BILL PASSES.

The first effort of the combined Democratic and Insurgent forces in the Senate to revise the Payne-Adair tariff bill resulted Thursday in the passage of the Underwood wool revision bill as amended by Senator La Follette's provisions, which were adopted by that body. The bill as it came from the House comprised a more radical revision of the woolen schedule than the amended bill as passed by the Senate, but in the conference between the two Houses it is highly probable that the rates now in the bill as it passed the Senate will be lowered by an agreement between the conferees and revised bill sent to the president for his approval or disapproval. In spite of the fact that Mr. Taft has heretofore declared the woolen schedule of the present tariff bill indefensible, it is predicted that he will veto the new bill on the ground that the tariff board has not yet made its report. The country will not accept this as an excuse for the veto in this instance, since the country very well remember that when Mr. Taft signed the Payne-Adair bill he had no tariff board report before him, and yet he allowed that infamous measure to become a law. The president has before him something more important than the report of a so-called tariff board in the form of a plain mandate from the American people, demanding relief from the excessive duties imposed by the present tariff law and he will hardly be able to justify his refusal to sign a bill revising a schedule which the president himself has declared indefensible by any such excuse as that mentioned. The allies in the Senate, comprising all of the Democrats and all of the insurgent Republicans will doubtless also send to the president the "Farmers' Free List" bill and the measure revising the cotton schedule, and should Mr. Taft veto these bills his political fate will be sealed. The country, plagued as it is with the high price of living, will call to account any man or set of men who puts any obstacle in the way of its relief.

## SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN IN SOUTHWEST.

The campaign for the candidacy of Jones and Glass was started in Bristol Friday night, when Thomas J. Downing, of Lancaster, spoke to a small audience in the city hall. He reviewed briefly the records of Martin and Swanson, indicating that Martin had not been true to the Democracy, but had shown himself a tool of the "interests," while Swanson's administration as Governor, he was charged, would not stand the test. He also took a rap at Governor Mann, and charged that he, Martin and Swanson stood for the liquor interests, and that Mann was elected because of certain pledges to the liquor people.

## FORMER PREACHER ARRESTED.

Rev. D. P. Tate, a former Methodist preacher of North Carolina, who was engaged in insurance and real estate business in Danville and who left under a cloud two months ago, was arrested at Knoxville, Tenn., and will be brought back for trial on charges of fraud.

## REV. DR. W. F. DUNAWAY RESIGNS CHARGES.

Rev. Wayland F. Dunaway, D. D., of Lancaster county, has tendered his resignation of the pastorate of the four Baptist churches in the upper part of Lancaster Co., to take effect at the close of the year.

## VIRGINIA STATE FARMERS' INSTITUTE, STAUNTON.

Round trip from Fredericksburg, \$4.70. Tickets sold Aug. 2 and 9. Return limit to reach Fredericksburg not later than mid-night Aug. 14. Ask agent for further particulars. W. P. Taylor, Traffic Mgr.

## GRAND CONFEDERATE REUNION.

The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans, Sons and Daughters will meet at the lower Rappahannock river this week inspecting gasoline boats to see if they are conforming to the Government requirements as to lights, life preservers, etc.

## LINE OF PROSECUTION.

Claim Motive For Crime Can be Proven.

## DOUBT BINFORD GIRL'S STORY.

That Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., now awaiting trial in the Henrico county jail on the charge of murdering his wife, planned the murder through love of money and his desire to be with Beulah Binford, the 17-year-old girl now held as a material witness, is expected to be the Commonwealth's ground when the case is called for trial.

The attorneys who will prosecute Beattie say that they have woven a net around him which will clearly prove his motive for the crime.

## TO KEEP HER IN JAIL.

Prosecution Blocks Plan to Bail Beulah Binford.

Plans to obtain the release of Beulah Binford, who is held in jail as a material witness for the Commonwealth in the Beattie murder mystery, were promptly blocked Friday.

As soon as the Commonwealth heard of the offer there was a hurried conference, and the Commonwealth's attorney of Chesterfield Co. declined without hesitation that the bond should be raised to \$5,000, or more if necessary, the determination being that under no circumstances should the affinity of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., the man accused by the coroner's jury as being the slayer of his wife, be released from custody.

To keep her in jail until the trial comes off, and to prevent her communicating with any one except representatives of the prosecution, the program now being carefully followed.

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## RAPPAHANNOCK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The 68th annual meeting of the Rappahannock Baptist Association, convened with Bethany church, Northumberland county, Tuesday, and continued three days.

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## DRY GOODS.

## DEMPEY'S.

FREDERICKSBURG'S BEST STORE  
212 COMMERCE STREET

On Saturday Morning, July 29th, We will Begin Our Annual Summer Clearance Sale. This Sale will Continue Until Aug. 12th Inclusive.

This will be one of the largest reduction sales we have ever had the pleasure of holding. When we say this we mean goods reduced. Our buyer has been North for the past ten days and bought several good items especially for this sale. This is the season when manufacturers and jobbers are cleaning up all summer goods and we were very fortunate in securing some very good things for you which we will offer the public at factory prices. Now we do this to clean up all summer goods. Everything that has summer upon it must go for it is our custom not to carry anything over from one season to another. We are now receiving fall goods and must make room for them. So we invite you to come and share with many others in this great reduction sale. It means money to you. Below we will mention a few items which we think will be interesting to all. Read every item over with care and come to this Clearance Sale.

Ladies' Wash Skirts, worth \$1.25 and \$1.00, Clearance sale price 79c  
Ladies' Shirt Waists, worth \$1.48, \$1.25 and \$1.00, Clearance sale price 89c  
Corset Covers, worth 25c and 25c Clearance 17c  
Children's Dresses, sizes 2 to 16, worth \$1.25, \$1.00 and 75c, Clearance sale price 48c  
Ladies' Gowns, worth \$1.25 and \$1.00 and 75c, Clearance sale price 59c  
Ladies' Kimonos, worth 85c and 75c, Clearance sale price 48c  
Ladies' Linen Suits, White Wash Suits, worth \$4.50, \$3.75, \$3.50, Clearance sale price \$2.25  
Ladies' Dutch Collars and Jabots, 15 and 12-1/2c, Clearance sale price 7c  
Ladies' Wash Belts, worth 15 and 12c, Clearance sale price 8c

Figured Lawns and Organ-  
dies, worth 15, 12 1-2  
10, Clearance sale price 7c  
Silk Gingham in all colors,  
worth 25 and 25c, Clearance sale price 17c  
A beautiful line of Wash  
Silks, worth 50 and 38c, Clearance sale price 29c  
A good Light Calico  
Clearance sale price 4c  
The best 12-1-2 Dress  
Ginghams, Clearance  
sale price 10c  
A good Dress Gingham,  
worth 10 and 8 1-3  
Clearance sale price 7c  
Table Damask, 65 and 58c,  
Clearance sale price, per yd 49c  
42 inch Brilliantines, worth  
75 and 68c, Clearance  
sale price 49c  
Fine Voile Cloth, worth 39  
and 29c, Clearance  
sale price 25c  
A beautiful line of Plaid  
Dress Goods, worth 16 1-2  
and 15c, Clearance  
sale price 12c

79c LADIES' WASH SKIRTS, bought especially for this sale. 79c  
Worth your while coming and buying what you need.

Men's Linen Collars, all sizes and styles, worth 12-1-2 and 10c. Clearance sale price 7c  
Men's Negligee Shirts, worth \$1.25 and \$1.00, Clearance sale price 79c  
Men's Negligee Shirts, worth 50 and 50c, Clearance sale price 39c  
Men's Fine Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, worth 25c, Clearance sale price 19c  
Men's Work Shirts, worth 50c, Clearance sale price 39c  
Boys' Work Shirts, worth 39c, Clearance sale price 25c  
Men's Wash Ties, worth 15, 12-1-2 and 10c, Clearance sale price 8c  
The Best Silk Ties, worth 25 and 39c, Clearance sale price 19c  
Suit Cases, worth \$2, \$1.75, and \$1.50, Clearance sale price \$1.25  
Hand Satchels, worth 59c and 50c, Clearance sale price 35c

## The Notion Department

will contribute its share in this great reduction sale. Things too numerous to mention. Ladies' Hose, Ladies' Muslin Underwear, Ladies' Vests, Ribbons, Embroideries, Laces. In fact everything in this great stock has undergone a great reduction.

For the lack of space we will not mention any more articles. This will be a great opportunity for you to save money. The items and prices above I should think would be interesting to you. We invite you to come as often as you wish and share in its benefits. Come often to the store of values.

## 212 Commerce St. Through to Market. Fredericksburg, Va.

## August Sale

All through the month of August we will sell summer goods at greatly reduced prices to make room for fall goods. We here give you a sample of prices:

## LOCAL MARKETS.

(Corrected by Simon Hirsch & Bro.)

Wheat, 85c to 90c; corn, 70c to 72c; meal, \$1.40 to \$1.60 per 100 lbs.; oats, 45c to 46c; old hens, live, 11c to 12c; dressed, 12c to 15c; winter chickens, 15c to 20c; dressed, 15c to 18c; spring chickens, 14c to 15c; ducks, eggs, 15c to 16c; dressed, 12c to 13c; ducks, 9c to 10c; dressed, 15c to 16c; butter, 15c to 16c; eggs, 12c to 13c; hams, 12c to 15c; sides, 12c to 15c; Irish potatoes, \$1.00 to \$1.25; lamb, \$2.50 to \$4; hides, green, 7c to 8c; salted, 10c to 12c; dry hides, 10c to 15c; calf skins, No. 1, \$1.00 to \$1.25; baled hay, 12c to \$2.25 per ton; beef, 10c to 12c; pork, 7c to 8c; veal, 10c to 12c; hams, 12c to 15c; sides, 12c to 15c; Irish potatoes, \$1.00 to \$1.25; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.50; black pigs, \$2.25; black-eye peas, 25c.

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## S. KANN, SONS & CO.

8th St. & Pa. Ave.,  
"THE BUSY CORNER"  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

A SPECIAL PURCHASE OF  
FOLDING COTS

To Go At The Lowest Sale Prices Yet Quoted

Three different styles, all popular. Out of door sleeping is now considered one of the most sensible and really beneficial of the many health fads, and people are buying these cots for camp or porch use, as well as for indoor sleeping.

Cots worth \$3.00, Sale Price \$1.68

This cot folds up compactly, it is 27 inches wide, 6 ft. and 6 inches long, and 15 inches high. It is made of hardwood and heavy brown or white canvas, has steel braces and pocket for pillow.

Cots worth \$3.50, Sale Price \$2.98

These are called "Drum-tight" cots, are 27 inches wide, 6 ft. long, hardwood frame, and brown canvas cover, raised head, with stretcher attachment. Folds up in a very small compass.

Cots worth \$3.50, Sale Price \$2.98

The "Army and Navy" cot is the name given to this style. It is 6 ft. 4 inches long, has hardwood frame, with steel supports, white or brown canvas top. You can fold one of these cots small enough to go into your trunk.

## CLEARANCE SALE

We are cleaning the shelves for our fall stock, and our summer goods must go. Here are some prices that will interest you.

REGULAR PRICE SALE PRICE

\$4.00 Men's Oxfords, All Leathers \$3.48

\$4.50 Men's Pat. Coll. 2 Eyelet Pump \$3.48

\$2.00 Women's Tan Pump, Strap \$1.50

\$2.50 Women's Pat. Coll. Pump, Strap \$1.75

\$3.00 Women's Brogue Pump \$2.50

\$1.25 Misses' White Canvas Blucher 75

\$2.25 Men's Straw Hats \$1.50

## J. E. Timberlake,

904 MAIN STREET.

## CLEAN SWEEP SALE

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## SUMMER GOODS WILL BEGIN AT ONCE

50c Summer Silks 35c 10c Gingham 8c

50c, 37c and 25c Colored Linen 22c \$6.50 Linen Suits \$4.50

29 and 25c Silks 20c \$1.50 White Skirts 1.00

25c White Figured Madras 18c \$1.25 and \$1.00 White Skirts 75c

20c White Figured Madras 12c 27 inch Flouncing in Baby Irish and Swiss, big cut in price.

12-1-2 White Figured Madras 9c Shirt Waists, Parasols and all Summer Goods are included in this Sweep Sale.

15c and 12-1-2 Colored Madras 10c

## J. T. LOWERY & CO.

## CLEAN SWEEP

Necessity knows no law. Our stock of Summer Footgear must be cleared out immediately. The selling time is getting short and price is a small consideration. At any reasonable price

## THESE SHOES